



# News & Views

Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association

Spring 1990

## Ruth Schmidt, R.N. Pres. '34 takes pleasure in sharing with others

All who know Ruth Schmidt, R.N. Pres. '34, agree — she is a special friend to Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. When Ruth arrives at Rush to lunch with a friend or to get a checkup, she is hailed by many — doctors who worked with her in the operating room, nurses who learned operating room procedures under her skillful supervision, and members of management, staff and administration who recognize her bright smile and charming ways. She wears her gold nursing pin with pride — a symbol of her strong allegiance to the Medical Center.

Ruth is one of the Nurses' Alumni Association's most ardent supporters. Winner of its Distinguished Alumna Award in 1988 and a longstanding member of the Golden Lamp Society, Ruth counts 40 years of service to Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital among her many accomplishments.

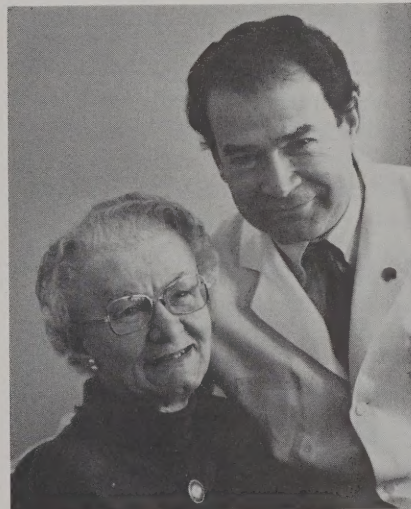
Her nursing career is long and fascinating. Ruth came to Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing as a "Probie" in 1930. In 1934, she graduated and chose to remain at the hospital where she began her career in operating room nursing. During her years in the O.R., she scrubbed for many famous surgeons including Drs. Vernon David, Edward Miller and R. Kennedy Gilchrist.

In the early 1940s, she left the operating room to do private duty nursing. She also worked at the Rush Medical College Central Free Dispensary as a summer relief nurse in infant welfare. At the same time, she was employed undercover by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) as a nurse companion to the mother of a captured German spy.

Ruth was recommended for the FBI position by the acting director of nursing at Presbyterian Hospital. Her family and friends knew nothing of this secret career. The FBI hired nurses for its own security so that the person held in protective custody (in this case, a spy's mother) could not wrongfully accuse the Bureau of mistreatment. As Ruth tells the story, she and the mother of the spy were taken and held under guard in the FBI Building in Washington D.C. during the spy's entire trial and conviction. Says Ruth, "I was never so well protected in all of my life!"

She returned to the O.R. during World War II. Ruth loved surgical nursing despite its many demands, long hours, and staff shortages. She regarded the obstacles as challenges and takes pride today in having been an integral part of many advances in medicine and surgery.

In 1988, she established the Ruth E. Schmidt Fund for



*Ruth Schmidt, R.N. Pres. '34, and Leo M. Henikoff, M.D., president and chief executive officer of RPSLMC, reminisce about old times. Ruth first met Dr. Henikoff while he was serving his pediatric residency and pediatric cardiology fellowship at Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital in the mid-1960s.*

Nursing Education of the Golden Lamp Society. The fund's purpose is to help employed nurses complete their education at the Rush University College of Nursing. Although she was at first reluctant to attach her own name to the fund, her many friends at Rush encouraged her to do so, saying "alumni should know that one of their own has been responsible for establishing such a fund." Thanks to Ruth's initial generosity and additional gifts received in her honor, the fund has recently been converted to an endowment fund which will carry Ruth Schmidt's name in perpetuity — a stellar example to future generations of Rush nurses.

Ruth's own reasons for supporting student financial assistance are simple, yet meaningful. "I take pleasure and pride in sharing with others some of my good fortune and to attempt in some small way to give back something to my profession. Whatever I may be able to contribute, both during my lifetime and through my estate, will never fully compensate for the respect, honors and friendships that have enriched my life over the years. Guess I just love RPSLMC and everything and everyone who is a part of it!" And we love you, Ruth!

*(Editor's Note: Gifts to the Ruth E. Schmidt Fund for Nursing Education of the Golden Lamp Society may be mailed in the enclosed postage paid envelope. Ruth will be informed of any and all contributions.)*





## From the Dean

### Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, D.S.N.

Dear Alumni:

This letter will serve as a six month progress report following my communication to you last fall. In line with our mission, we have been actively involved in education, research, practice, management and *change* during this time. The flexibility and cooperation of the faculty, students and staff and their response to change have been impressive and appreciated.

The transition to the new curriculum including graduate entry students and the doctor of nursing degree program has been progressive and successful. The faculty are to be congratulated on their creative design of the graduate degree programs with options for exit at the M.S., N.D. or D.N.Sc. degrees. It is exciting to be pioneers in this educational model and to share our findings with the rest of the nation. Other colleges of nursing have taken steps to follow our lead with the N.D. degree program.

Our enrollment for the fall of 1990 is growing and we hope to surpass the numbers reached this past fall. In this regard, you can be helpful by encouraging interested per-

sons to apply to our multi entry/exit programs. Don't forget to point out our scholarship programs for financial aid, if needed. In particular, remember the nursing service scholarships that support full tuition with no payback in dollars, just salaried work time upon graduation. On an encouraging note, it is reassuring to learn that enrollment of first-time nursing students in the nation's universities and four-year colleges rose by 5.8 percent in the current 1989-90 academic year. This is the first time in five years that sharply declining student numbers have reversed to show an increase.

As you know, The Commonwealth Fund has funded our new Nursing Administration M.S./M.M. Graduate Program with the J. L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University to begin this summer and fall. For further coverage, please see page 4.

In the area of research, we are currently involved in a planning grant of \$50,000 from the Pew Charitable Trusts and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Program, "Strengthening Hospital Nursing: A Program to Improve Patient Care." Through this grant, we plan to develop a Nursing/Patient Care Model for the 1990s. We are now preparing a grant for \$1 million to implement this demonstration project over the next four years. The Task Force is comprised of members from nursing, medicine, administration, and the Board of Trustees. The teamwork in the project has been exemplary.

The faculty are to be complimented on their assistance in helping to provide nursing care in the nationwide nursing shortage that is also being experienced at Rush. We have tried several different recruitment strategies to help ease this shortage, including: Relocation Program — reimbursement of one month's rent and up to \$1,000 for moving, and \$150 for interview fees; Employee Referral Program — an employee receives \$1,000 for referring a nurse who is hired and stays at Rush a minimum of six months; Evening and Night Bonus Program — a nurse who signs up to work permanent evenings for one year will receive a \$7,500 bonus or a nurse who signs up to work permanent nights for one year will receive a \$10,000 bonus. It is our hope that this latter program will permit us to offer a large number of day positions and, thereby, recruit nurses who have left Rush to work days for less money, as well as others.

We recently moved our perinatal services to the new Perinatal Center on the sixth floor of the hospital where the old operating rooms were located. This took place in late April, and we invite you to visit the renovated, modern facility.

With respect to our search committees for new leadership positions; we have filled two positions since the fall. The program director for the Nurse Anesthesia Practitioner Program is Richard M. Schillo, M.S., C.R.N.A., a member of the Department of Anesthesia for over nine years and assistant chief nurse anesthetist. The chair for community health nursing has been filled by Cheryl E. Easley, R.N., Ph.D. Dr. Easley comes to Rush from the University of Illinois, Urbana, where she is an assistant professor of nursing. She is a renowned expert on standards, criteria, and workload in public health nursing and home health care.

As we forge ahead with our growth and development, we look to you, our alumni, for your support and contributions. Thank you for being there for us!

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## From the Association President

**Martha J. Mills, M.S., R.N.**  
**Presbyterian-St. Luke's '65**

Your response to the new format of our *News and Views* has been just spectacular. Thank you for all your positive comments and constructive feedback. Your input is valuable and necessary to keeping our news current and issues pertinent.

The process for implementing the Alumni Association's goals for 1990 is well on its way. High priority has been given to introducing the student body to the Alumni Association upon their entry into the College. We have met with a number of nursing students who expressed high interest in "bonding" with alumni which validates the importance of starting our interactions early.

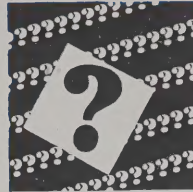
Members of the Alumni Board were hosts to Rush University students at an Ice Cream Social in February. Despite the frozen whipped cream topping, the response in number spoke to the success of the occasion.

At our quarterly meeting in January, the Board of Directors approved the purchase of pins for the 1990 College of Nursing graduates. Members of the board will, for the first time, participate in the pinning ceremony. We are excited about this and feel strongly that this welcoming gesture will help strengthen our ties with the new graduates. As in previous years, the graduating class of 1990 will be guests at the annual June breakfast hosted by the Alumni Board.

I would like to thank each one of you personally for your generous response to our annual appeal effort. There has been a 16 percent increase in giving over the first six months of the last fiscal year. Your financial support enables us to continue to provide scholarships and interest-free loans to students.

Our homecoming festivities will take place on June 8th. There will be tours of the Medical Center as well as a tea, presented by the College of Nursing. The graduates of 1940 will be the guests of honor at our annual banquet to be held that evening at the Chicago Hilton and Towers. For the first time, we will be conducting our annual meeting at the time of the banquet.

Thank you all for your continued support. I will look forward to seeing you in June for our Homecoming celebration!

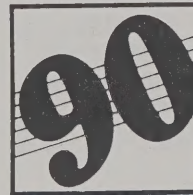


## Do You Know?

... where and how your fellow alumni are employed?

Results of a 1988 survey distributed to all Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's nursing alumni indicate:

- 37 percent are employed full time in nursing
- 16 percent are employed part time in nursing
- 5 percent are employed full time, but not in nursing
- 3 percent are employed part time, but not in nursing
- 13 percent not presently employed
- 26 percent retired
- 2,543 individuals responded to this survey out of the total nursing alumni population polled of 4,099 (62 percent). Information may have changed since the surveys were received.



## Mark Your Calendar!

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**Friday, June 8, 1990**

**Annual Homecoming Celebration**  
Tours of the Medical Center  
1st Floor, Atrium Building  
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

### Alumni Tea

Room 500 Professional Bldg.  
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

### Social Hour

Chicago Hilton and Towers  
720 S. Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois  
6:00 p.m.

### Annual Meeting and Banquet

Chicago Hilton and Towers  
Waldorf Astoria Room  
7:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$40.00

*Reservations for the banquet are needed by June 1, 1990. We are sorry we will be unable to accept reservations at the door. For more information, call Martha Mills at (708) 325-0875. Hope to see you June 8th!*



# Dual degree program offered at Rush

By Linda Fournier, M.S., R.N.

The College of Nursing at Rush University and the J. L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University have developed a dual degree program for nurses wishing to prepare for management careers in the increasingly complex world of health care organizations. This program, initiated with the help of a \$100,000 grant from The Commonwealth Fund, allows nurses to attain a Master of Science degree with a selected clinical major at Rush and the Master of Management degree from Northwestern.

One advantage of the program is that most full-time students can complete the requirements for both degrees in two calendar years (eight quarters), instead of the ten academic quarters which would be required if each program were undertaken separately. Because of the way courses are sequenced, students can benefit from exposure to the world of management, as experienced by other business students, as well as from exposure to the clinical reality that is health care today.

This initiative adds to the number of educational programs which permit study for a master's in nursing and a master's in business. The Rush-Northwestern program, however, is one of the few in the Midwest to offer a variety of clinical specializations, such as psychiatric, medical, surgical or gerontological nursing in combination with business education. This unique approach has been recognized as vitally important to nursing.

As Colleen Conway-Welch, Ph.D., C.N.M., dean of Vanderbilt University's School of Nursing and associate director of Nursing Services at Vanderbilt University Hospital, has said, "for generations the patient care aspects of nursing have been all important, and they still are. But looking ahead, nurse leaders must become increasingly skillful at making the very best use of available resources. In a very real sense, superior management skills have become as essential as superior clinical skills." (Editor's Note: Dr. Conway-Welch is also a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing.)

Joel Shalowitz, M.D., M.M., and Ann Minnick, Ph.D., R.N., who are serving as project directors for the program urge applicants to begin the admissions process, which includes taking the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT), as soon as possible. The next GMAT examination date is **June 16, 1990**. A coordinated admission process is designed to facilitate application to the program. Applicants must qualify for admission to the graduate program of each university.

Students are eligible for consideration for financial aid from both institutions. In addition, prospective full-time applicants are encouraged to apply for The Commonwealth Fund Executive Nurse Fellowship Program which provides awards of \$15,000 to individual nurses to pursue joint nursing and management degrees. "We are looking forward to assisting applicants with these arrangements," said Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, D.S.N., the John L. and Helen Kellogg Dean of the College of Nursing at Rush University.

The need for the type of program offered by Rush and



*Project directors Joel Shalowitz, M.D., M.M., J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management, Northwestern University, and Ann Minnick, Ph.D., R.N., director of Nursing Services Research and Support, Rush University College of Nursing.*

Northwestern has been attested to by many experts in the health field. "The vastly increased complexity of the modern hospital and the corresponding increase in the demands on nurses require this enormously productive partnership on the part of the business schools and nursing schools," noted Edward J. Connors, chairman of the board of the American Hospital Association and president of Mercy Health Services. In inaugurating the programs, Margaret Mahoney, president of The Commonwealth Fund, stated, "we are very impressed with the potential of these new programs to make the very best of education more accessible to nurses who set their sights on being tomorrow's leaders."

Nurses who are interested in obtaining more information may contact Ann Minnick, Ph.D., R.N., College of Nursing at Rush University, 1743 W. Harrison Street, Room 810, Chicago, Illinois 60612, (312) 942-6990, or Joel Shalowitz, M.D., M.M., J. L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois 60208, (708) 491-5540.

*(Editor's Note: Linda Fournier is assistant to the director, Nursing Services Research and Support at the Rush University College of Nursing.)*



## Nursing Alumni Philanthropy

Giving from nursing alumni for the first six months of the 1989-90 fiscal year totaled \$27,951 — a 16 percent increase over last year's comparable figures. Two hundred and thirty alumni have made 253 gifts which were allocated as follows:

- \$14,191 to the Golden Lamp Society.
- \$2,535 for general support of the Nurses Alumni Association.
- \$6,600 for nursing student financial assistance, including the Ruth E. Johnson Memorial Student Loan Fund and the Ruth E. Schmidt Fund for Nursing Education.
- \$3,065 for student/faculty endowment.
- \$1,560 to various other programs.

## Golden Lamp Society Update

The Golden Lamp Society comprises alumni, faculty and friends of nursing who support the College with annual unrestricted gifts of \$200 or more.

Giving from alumni and non-alumni members to all Medical Center purposes through December of 1989 was just under \$79,000; \$20,000 of that total was directed specifically to the Golden Lamp Society.

Donations are encouraged throughout the year. The next annual luncheon meeting of the Society, chaired by Janet S. Moore, Ph.D., R.N., is scheduled for Thursday, June 7,

beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the Claude H. Searle, M.D., Conference Center. The featured speaker will be Ann Minnick, Ph.D., R.N., F.A.N.N., associate professor and director of Nursing Services Research and Support at Rush. Dr. Minnick, who has been intimately involved in developing the grant proposal funded by The Commonwealth Fund and the Pew Charitable Trusts mentioned in Dr. Andreoli's message, will speak on "New Models for Nursing." Leo M. Henikoff, M.D., president and chief executive officer of Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, will provide an institutional overview and dean Andreoli will update GLS members on nursing programs and initiatives affecting Rush University students and the nursing staff.

Another traditional highlight of the annual meeting is the presentation of the Golden Lamp Society Doctoral Scholarship Award. In addition, the first Ruth E. Schmidt Award for Nursing Education will be presented to a registered nurse who is completing requirements for the baccalaureate degree with a major in nursing and who has demonstrated leadership potential for the nursing profession. An informative and inspiring program is anticipated and we hope many nursing alumni and friends will be able to attend.

*If you have not yet made your own gift, or should you wish to do more for nursing before the end of the fiscal year on June 30, please use the enclosed postage paid envelope. Your support is encouraged and appreciated.*

## Call for nominations:

## 1991-92 Nurses Alumni Association Officers

This fall, the ballot for the 1991-92 elected offices of the RPSL Nurses Alumni Association will be drawn up by the Board and Nominating Committee. We look forward to your participation in the nominating process by self-nomination and/or nomination of other qualified alumni. "Qualified" can mean having some special organizational, managerial or fund raising skills; or may simply mean having an interest in, and willingness to actively pursue, the purposes of the association:

*...to unite alumni "for mutual assistance, protection and preservation of fellowship; to promote the professional and educational advancement of nursing; and to support the interests of Rush University College of Nursing."*

The following offices are open for nomination: president, 1st vice president, 2nd vice president, treasurer, secretary, Board members (six) and Nominating Committee members (four). This group comprises the "Board" which has regular meetings four times a year. Members may participate in or chair (by presidential appointment) various committees: Education, Membership, Program and Social, Philanthropy and Public Relations, Finance or Revisions. Examples of activities coordinated by the Board include Homecoming, the Annual Meeting, award recognition of distinguished students and alumni, and fund raising for philanthropic endeavors (e.g., student loan funds and gifts to the College).

Please see the enclosed nomination form in this issue of *News and Views*. The deadline for nominations is August 1, 1990. Thank you for your interest and participation.





## Class Notes

### 1925

(Presbyterian) - After graduating in 1925, **Lillian Beck Fuller**, of Mountain Iron, MN, joined the V.N.A. staff, was a school nurse for 35 years and spent 23 years tending children at a Y.M.C.A. summer camp. The 87-year-old keeps busy with her two children, five grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

### 1938

(Presbyterian) - **Hila Richards Stratton** and her husband **James D. Stratton, M.D.** (Rush Medical College '37), recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. In 1980, Mrs. Stratton received the Distinguished Alumnus award from Park College, Parkville, MO, for meritorious service in many organizations. She served as an instructor and County Disaster Nurse chairman with the American Red Cross.

### 1940

(St. Luke's) - **Marie L. Edson**, of Costa Mesa, CA, reminds her classmates that June 8, 1990 marks the 50th anniversary of the class of 1940. She hopes to see many of her classmates at the Homecoming festivities!

### 1944

(St. Luke's) - **Mona Moughton** works full time as coordinator of Continuing Education at Western Kentucky



### Washington Square Scholars

Third-year Rush University College of Nursing students **Ella Perkins** (left) and **Kim Washington** were recently named the **Washington Square Health Foundation** scholars for the 1989-1990 academic year.

University in Bowling Green. A "volunteeraholic," she has helped organize an AIDS service organization, works with the chronic mentally ill, conducts blood pressure screenings at church and is involved in crisis intervention hotlines.

### 1946

(St. Luke's) - **Phyllis Kendall Fox** announces that the class of 1946A will celebrate their 45th reunion in Chicago during the annual alumni Homecoming in June, 1991.

### 1953

(Presbyterian) - **Dorothy Hughes**, a longstanding member of the Nurses Alumni Association Board, is retiring this year from her position as director of nursing at Community General Hospital in Sterling, Illinois. Thanks to Dorothy for sending information on classmate **Geraldine Laing Fennessy**, of Libby, Montana. Gerry and her husband, Tom, reigned as king and queen of the 1989 Libby Nordicfest, held September 14-17. They were selected because of their contributions to the community, good citizenship and concern for the Libby community.

### 1955

(Presbyterian) - **Jean S. Erickson** invites her classmates to attend the 35th anniversary celebration of the class of 1955 on June 8, 1990 in Chicago. In 1981, Jean fulfilled a dream by returning to hospital nursing after a 22-year hiatus.

### 1966

(Pres.-St. Luke's) - **Barbara Babin Jacobs** is a school nurse for special education children and is currently working on a B.S. from St. Francis College. Barbara has been living in Tucson, AZ, since 1970, where she practiced medical surgical nursing. She also taught Lamaze childbirth classes and sex education classes for grades 4-12.

### 1967

(Pres.-St. Luke's and M.S. '82) - **Karen Lamb**, a unit leader in skilled nursing at Rush, was interviewed by *USA Today* concerning positive aspects of the controversial new catastrophic health benefits under Medicare.

### 1977

(B.S.) - **Ruth M. Wingeier** received her M.S. in 1982 and is a certified nurse-midwife. She is currently teaching in the nurse-midwifery program at the University of Minnesota School of Nursing.

### 1978

(B.S.) - **Jim Brown**, a Major in the USAF Air Force Nurse Corps, was appointed course director for the Flight Nurse Course at the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks AFB, San Antonio, TX.

(M.S.) - **Michalene D. Maringer** was recently appointed to the position of vice president of nursing, North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. She was formerly the director of Nursing at Christ Hospital & Medical Center in the Chicagoland area.



## 1979

(M.S. and D.N.Sc. '84) - **Margaret Faut** presented "Endotracheal Suctioning in Acutely Ill Adults: A Critique," at the Chicago Lung Association. She also recently received a distinguished service award from the Illinois Association of Nurse Anesthetists in recognition of 12 years of outstanding service. Margaret was profiled in the April issue of *Today's Chicago Woman*

(M.S.) - **Sharon K. Nisius**, of Des Plaines, IL, has worked as an oncology nurse for the majority of her 19-year career. She was formerly employed in the section of medical oncology at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. She recently completed a Psy.D. (doctorate of clinical psychology) and is in private practice as a clinical psychologist who helps cancer patients and their families.

## 1980

(D.N.Sc.) - **Joyce Keithley** gave a presentation on "Nutritional Assessment" at the 13th Annual American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition meeting.

## 1981

(B.S.) - **Cynthia J. Hubbard Shive** is currently the project coordinator for a study on Recurrent Respiratory Papillomatosis at the University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics. She presented the first results of the research trials with recombinant interferon at the American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology meeting.

## 1985

(M.S.) - **Judy Friedrichs**, assistant unit leader in the Department of Maternal-Child Nursing at Rush, was featured on the cover of the November issue of *Hospitals* magazine and quoted in their story, "The Right to Die: An Executive Report." She coordinates Rush's perinatal bereavement program COPing AID (Care of Parents After Infant Death).

(D.N.Sc.) - **Sandra R. Shelley**, vice president at the St. Louis Children's Hospital, was appointed to the Missouri Board of Health by Governor John Ashcroft.

## 1986

(M.S.) - **Diane Gallagher**, a faculty member in the maternal-child nursing department at Rush, was an exhibitor for recruitment at the National Association for Neonatal Nurses Conference in Atlanta last September.

## 1987

(B.S.) - Navy Ensign **Kathleen M. Noonan** has completed the Officer Indoctrination School at the Naval Education and Training Center in Newport, Rhode Island. Kathleen joined the Navy in 1989.

## 1988

(B.S.) - **Melissa Mruskovich**, a staff nurse in the Department of Perinatal Nursing at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, is currently conducting a research study on the thermo-regulation of neonates during the weighing and bathing process. Melissa lives in Palos Heights, IL.



## Tell My Classmates That . . .

We are eager to hear about you! Each issue of "News and Views" will include a Class Notes section. Please use this space to share any interesting news and/or accomplishments, both personal and professional. Space is limited so we must reserve the right to edit all material. **Please print or write legibly!**

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_

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## Updates from the College of Nursing

Several College of Nursing students have recently been recognized with special awards and honors. These include:

- **Vonda Wright**, a first-year graduate entry student, has been awarded a Helene Fuld Fellowship which will allow her to participate in two international conferences on oncology nursing. Vonda will travel with 100 other American nursing students to the Sixth International Conference on Cancer Nursing in Amsterdam from August 12-16. They will then participate in the Fifteenth International Union Against Cancer in Hamburg, West Germany. Over 400 students competed for the fellowship awards and the College is proud that Vonda will represent us at these important meetings.
- **Nickie Blandford**, a student in the new N.D. program, has received funding from the American Association of Nephrology Nurses to fund her N.D. project entitled, "Return to Work in Renal Transplant Recipients: Factors Influencing Vocational Patterns." Nickie entered Rush's graduate program two years ago after completing her B.S.N. at Oregon. She expects to complete the requirements for the Doctor of Nursing in time to be the first N.D. graduate of Rush University.
- Three D.N.Sc. students represented Rush in the student poster session at the Midwest Nursing Research Society meeting on April 23. They are **Denise Angst** ("Self-Care in Cystic Fibrosis: A Study of School Age Children and their Parents"); **Beverly O'Brien** ("Validity and Reliability of Two Instruments Adapted to Measure the Presence and Severity of Nausea and Vomiting During Pregnancy"); and **Margaret McCabe** ("A Rasch Analysis of a Pediatric Functional Independence Measure") were selected to present their research.

The 1990 Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, June 9 will be a special time for the College of Nursing. Twenty-

five graduate entry students will receive degrees which mark the completion of their pre-licensure studies. These students represent the first class to enter the College through the innovative multiple entry/exit curriculum adopted by the faculty in 1987. These students will be continuing graduate study in a variety of areas of concentration including critical care, cardio-pulmonary, maternal-child, and rehabilitation.

In addition, the faculty expect to confer the first Doctor of Nursing degree. Rush is the second college in the United States to award the N.D. Added to the celebration will be the largest number of D.N.Sc. graduates to participate in a graduation; there will be no less than five and perhaps as many as eight graduates (dissertations are too unpredictable to be absolutely sure until mid-May!).



### College receives \$1 million for advancing nursing education

*The Rush University College of Nursing was recently awarded \$1 million from the Independence Foundation of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to establish a chair in nursing education. Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, D.S.N., vice president, nursing affairs and dean of the Rush College of Nursing, is pictured (2nd row, third from right) with the deans of other private nursing schools who also received grants from the foundation.*

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## Pinning ceremony emphasizes bonding

For the first time, the Nurses Alumni Association purchased the pins for the new graduates of the College of Nursing, which were presented at the June 8th pinning ceremony. Family and friends cheered in the audience as **Ruth Schmidt, R.N.** (Pres. '34), bestowed flowers and congratulations on each new graduate.

"We felt the Nurses Alumni Association should participate in the pinning ceremony because of the importance of bonding with the newest group of alumni. And when I say 'bond,' I mean stick together for life!" said Nurses Alumni Association president **Martha J. Mills, M.S., R.N.** (Presbyterian-St. Luke's '65).

The members of the Class of '90 were not the only ones honored at the ceremony. "I would like all the moms, dads, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, husbands, wives and significant others to please stand," said Leo M. Henikoff, M.D., president and chief executive officer of the Medical Center, as the new graduates applauded.

"Getting the pin symbolizes the beginning of our responsibility," said **Brenda Freeman, B.S.N. '90**, now a pediatric intermediate care nurse at Rush.



**Ruth Schmidt, R.N.** (Pres. '34), beams approval as **Leo M. Henikoff, M.D.**, Medical Center president and chief executive officer, congratulates **Annette Shawmeker, B.S.N. '90**, named the first award recipient from the **Ruth E. Schmidt Endowment Fund for Nursing Education**.

## Shekleton '82 Elected INA President



**Maureen Shekleton, D.N.Sc. '82**

**Maureen Shekleton, D.N.Sc.**, (Rush '82), believes in broadening her horizons within the field of nursing. A former ICU nurse, Maureen is now teaching and doing research (she is an assistant professor at the University of Illinois, specializing in cardiopulmonary nursing), and she has decided to take her career one step further — to the policy making arena. Maureen is actively involved in the Illinois Nurses Association (INA), and, last November, she was elected to a two-year term as president.

Composed of 7,400 members, the INA's main function is to work with lawmakers to get issues affecting the practice of nursing before the state legislature. In addition, this organization lobbies on behalf of the general public on health care matters. For example, they are currently investigating the issue of health care for the homeless.

Maureen's major agenda as president is to advance the profession of nursing by making the INA more visible to nurses and the lay public. She feels after one year in office that progress has been made in this area. She notes, "we (the INA) are enjoying the best relationship we've had among nursing groups for a long time."

From patient care to clinical research to policy making, Maureen is living testimony of the diversity found in the nursing profession. She believes her Rush education has greatly influenced her ability to assume these many roles, explaining, "My experience with the Rush model of integrated education and practice prepared me for any setting I might choose within the field of nursing."





## From the Dean

### Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, D.S.N.

Dear Alumni:

The 1990-91 academic year has begun with a bang! Our student recruitment marketing initiatives have paid off and we are proud to announce that our overall enrollment in the College of Nursing has *increased* approximately 20 percent since last year. The increases were most dramatic in three of our seven program offerings: namely, the graduate entry level, master of science, and doctor of nursing programs. As you know, our total program offerings include the prelicensure program which incorporates the generic baccalaureate students, graduate entry level students and the baccalaureate completion students, and the graduate programs which include students in the programs of master of science, master of science/master of management, doctor of nursing and doctor of nursing science.

The enrollment in the prelicensure program is up 12.5 percent from last year and in the graduate program the enrollment is up 30 percent. This year, many of our graduate entry students represent numerous other fields such as business administration, psychology, nutrition, social work, pharmacy, physiology, Peace Corps, medical technology, education, law enforcement, and acting. Also, we are admitting older students in their 40s and a few in their 50s. The life skills that these students have will enhance their nursing care. Another demographic accomplishment is a *doubling* of the number of men from last year's enrollment to this year's. Although the number is approximately 29 men out of a total of about 450 students, it is a signal that the gender gap may be slowly closing.

## News & Views

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Our increase in new R.N. nursing student enrollment is being emulated across the country. Indeed, if this continues and nursing care becomes more efficient through delegation and computerized record systems, and the demands for care in the face of changing technology and increasing elderly become more gradual, we may eventually witness an abatement of the critical nursing shortage experienced this decade. During the interim, however, we must continue our current initiatives in recruiting people into the profession and addressing retention issues.

On a faculty productivity note, we are pleased to report that our research funding has almost doubled since last year! The research activities have been organized into three broad domains with corresponding faculty groups:

1. Physiological Responses in Health and Illness
2. Behavioral and Psychosocial Responses in Health and Illness
3. Health Care Services Research

Members of these research groups have worked together to acquire project resources, conduct cooperative studies and co-sponsor a research development conference.

Another first this year — the doctoral students have formed an organization and are planning educational programs for themselves and for the doctoral students at the University of Illinois and Loyola University. The latter are delighted with our lead in this regard. This will become a shared activity among the three schools.

Continuing our firsts...the first Annual Faculty Awards were conferred at the faculty dinner in November. Two awards have been developed by the Faculty Senate: one is the Educator Award to recognize a colleague for excellence in teaching; and the second is the Facilitator Award to recognize a colleague who successfully augments and strengthens the professional work culture. The winners of these awards received special accolades, a certificate, and a \$300 gift.

We are actively involved in a self-study in preparation for an accreditation visit by the National League for Nursing in February of 1991. This is a voluntary review which is always welcomed because it gives us a standard of comparison for ourselves and our associate collegiate schools of nursing across the country. It also gives us a chance to document and analyze the achievements and potential of the College of Nursing and plan creatively for the future.

As alumni, you have every reason to be proud of your College of Nursing of Rush University. As the Dean, I am, indeed, proud. I thank you for your continuing support!

## Mark Your Calendar!

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Friday, June 7, 1991

## Homecoming '91

Mark your calendar for Friday, June 7, 1991, the date of our Annual Homecoming Banquet, to be held at Chicago's Hotel InterContinental. More information will be forthcoming.





## From the Association President

### Martha J. Mills, M.S., R.N. Presbyterian-St. Luke's '65

The past few months have been busy and exciting for members of the Alumni Board. Following the Board's decision to purchase pins for the graduating class of 1990, the students invited members of the Board to participate in the pinning ceremony. This was the first involvement of the alumni in the pinning ceremony and we felt especially honored to have this privilege. (See page 1 for a recap.)

Homecoming 1990 is now history but letters continue to come expressing appreciation to the College of Nursing for the lovely afternoon tea and to the Alumni Board for the banquet at the Hilton in the evening.

A number of awards and scholarships were presented this year by the Alumni Association. **Rita Steinhelder** was presented with the 1990 Nursing Alumni Award at the thirteenth annual Rush University Awards Ceremony held the morning of commencement. This award is given annually to the outstanding student in the graduating class as selected by the faculty.

**Christine A. Garvey**, who received a B.S. from Rush in 1976, was the recipient of our 1990 Distinguished Alumnus Award. Nominees for this award are evaluated on proficiency of practice, leadership participation in professional organizations, recognition for nursing activities, writing, speaking, publishing and research. An Awards Committee — comprised of alumni board members — selected Christine from nominations submitted by alumni. Christine was honored at the Homecoming banquet and given a plaque to commemorate this honor.

The Board of Directors voted to present Dr. Janet Silliman Moore, associate vice president of nursing, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, associate dean in the College of Nursing, and chairperson of the Golden Lamp Society, with an honorary membership in the Alumni Association. (See page 4.)

While many of you are miles away from the Medical Center, we encourage your active participation in the Alumni Association. Your support and communication are needed! We seek nominations for our Distinguished Alumnus Award for 1991 and welcome your recommendations. We will soon be sending out our ballots for election of officers for the Board and ask that you take an active part in the election. If it hasn't already, our annual appeal for funds so vital for carrying on the work of the Alumni Association will soon reach you. We hope you will choose to support us this year.

It's hard to believe that we are into the fall season and that the holidays will soon be here. Let me take this opportunity to wish each of you a wonderful, happy holiday season!

## Joan Weinberg: wears many "hats"



One can say that **Joan Weinberg, R.N.** (Presbyterian '53), has worn many hats at Rush. In the 40 years she has been affiliated with this institution, she has been a student, employee, patient, volunteer and, most recently, a Trustee.

Joan chose to study nursing at Presbyterian Hospital because of the program's fine reputation. After graduation in 1953, she remained at Presbyterian Hospital as a staff nurse on 4-Pavilion. Joan looks back fondly on her nursing days, saying they were "hard work, but fun." She adds, "nursing prepares a person for life, because it teaches you how to make quick decisions and accept responsibility."

When asked whether her background as a nurse and her husband's medical background (Joan is married to Dr. Milton Weinberg, Jr., senior attending physician in cardiovascular-thoracic surgery at Rush) influenced her family, Joan commented with a laugh, "It obviously must have, since two of our three daughters — who were all born at Rush — chose to become nurses." Incidentally, both also followed in their mother's footsteps by working at the Medical Center — Amy in Surgical ICU and Caryl on 3 Kellogg. The Weinbergs' other daughter, Susan, has opted to work with people in a different way — she is finishing up a degree to be a teacher.

In more recent years, Joan has served the Medical Center as a volunteer by becoming actively involved with the Woman's Board. Joan feels a need to volunteer her time to the service of others. She explains, "We've been so fortunate in our family to all have been blessed with such good health that I feel a responsibility to help others who have not been as fortunate. I truly believe I can make a difference through my volunteering at the Medical Center."

Joan accepted the invitation to join the Woman's Board because of the valuable contribution this group makes to the Medical Center and to the Chicago community. Her assignments have been varied, from passing out programs at the annual Fashion Show, to selling advertising for The Woman's Board publication *Promise*. She assumed the presidency of this organization in October, and, in that capacity, she also serves as an Annual Trustee of Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. Joan's goal as Woman's Board president is to motivate members of the organization to maximize their efforts. She compares her job as Woman's Board president to the one she held when she was a head nurse. "Success is a team effort. My job is to provide the leadership to achieve our goals."

Joan is happy to be a part of Rush, and is hopeful that her efforts will benefit the institution. She concludes, "I feel very fortunate to have started here...I feel like I've come full circle and it's just great!"



## Homecoming 1990 Alumni celebrate coming "home"

Homecoming '90 was an overwhelming success! The June 8th festivities included the traditional Alumni Tea, hosted by the College of Nursing in Room 500 of the Professional Building. Later that evening, members of the class of 1940 were honored guests at the Homecoming banquet held at the Chicago Hilton and Towers. The celebration was capped off the next day at Medinah Temple with the 18th commencement of Rush University, where 132 nursing degrees were conferred.



*With a reflective gaze, Courtney Lyder, B.S.N. '89, M.S. '90, ponders what the future holds in store. He is currently a staff nurse in geriatric psychiatry at the Johnston R. Bowman Health Center for the Elderly.*



*Homecoming is a time for friends to reminisce about special days. Doing just that at the Alumni Tea on Friday afternoon are (sitting) Melba Weber (Pres. '34), (standing, left to right) Esther Maas (Pres. '34), Helen O'Brien (Pres. '25), and Ruth Schmidt (Pres. '34).*

*After the pinning ceremony, Debra Savage, B.S.N. '90, president of the Student Nurses Association, receives a congratulatory kiss.*

## Golden Lamp Society Luncheon



*Award winners Barbara Swanson, M.S.N., R.N. (left), the recipient of the Golden Lamp Society Doctoral Scholarship, and Annette Shawmeker, B.S.N. '90, who was named the first recipient from the Ruth E. Schmidt Endowment Fund for Nursing Education.*

The Medical Center was the site of the June 7th Annual Meeting and Luncheon of the Golden Lamp Society (GLS). Janet S. Moore, Ph.D., Chairperson of the Society and associate dean in the College of Nursing, presided over the meeting which was attended by 55 members and guests.

Dr. Moore began the program by introducing several special Golden Lamp Society members — Ruth Schmidt (Pres. '34), and her friends Allison "Sonny" Myers (St. Luke's '47) from St. Augustine Beach, Florida and Melba Weber (Pres. '34) from Bremen, Indiana. Joining them was Annette Shawmeker, the first award recipient of the Ruth E. Schmidt Endowment Fund for Nursing Education. Also recognized were Luther Christman, Ph.D., dean emeritus of the College of Nursing, Jack R. Bohlen, vice president of Philanthropy and Communication at the Medical Center, and Barbara Swanson, M.S.N., R.N., the 1990 Golden Lamp Society Scholar.

Golden Lamp Society member Ann Minnick, Ph.D., R.N., F.A.N.N., was the keynote speaker. In her address, "New Models for Nursing," Ann discussed how changing demographics affect the delivery of nursing care. Her observations were based on her work as director of Nursing Services Research and Support at Rush.





Two 50-year St. Luke's graduates, **Martha Hall** and **Helen Lewis**, peruse vintage photographs of their alma mater in the "old" days.



Alumni Association board members gather for a group photo. (First row, left to right) **Nancy Hayda Mills, M.S., R.N.** (Pres.-St. Luke's '65), **Mildred Perlia, M.S.N., R.N.** (St. Luke's '54), **Martha J. Mills, M.S., R.N.** (Pres.-St. Luke's '65), **Inette Hoxsey Godman, R.N.** (Pres.-St. Luke's '61), **Sally Brozenic, M.S., R.N.** (Rush '77); (Second row, left to right) **JoAnn Young, R.N.** (Pres. '53), **Joan Nelson, R.N.** (St. Luke's '53), **Jane Tarnow, D.N.Sc.** (Rush '87), **Greg Klebe, R.N.** (Rush '80), **Ruth E. Schmidt, R.N.** (Pres. '34), **Karen Van Dyke Lamb, M.S., R.N.** (Pres.-St. Luke's '67 and Rush '82) and **Joyce M. Stoops, M.S., R.N.** (Pres. '53).



**Luther P. Christman, Ph.D., R.N.**, the **John L. and Helen Kellogg Dean Emeritus** of the Rush University College of Nursing, and **Virginia Winston DeYoung**, a Life Trustee, were awarded Trustee Medals at the University's commencement in June.

Members also heard reports from **Leo M. Henikoff, M.D.**, president and CEO of the Medical Center and **Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, D.S.N.**, the **John L. and Helen Kellogg Dean** of the College of Nursing and vice president of Nursing Affairs. **Judith M. Popovich**, the 1989 Golden Lamp Society Scholar, gave members an overview of her dissertation, "Hope, Coping and Rehabilitation Outcomes in Stroke Patients."

Dr. Moore reported that seven individuals had joined the GLS last year including four nursing alumni and three Rush nursing faculty members.

The meeting was adjourned with **Martha Mills, M.S., R.N.**, president of the Nurses Alumni Association, conferring a surprise honorary membership in the Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association on Dr. Janet S. Moore. Dr. Moore was recognized for her "Outstanding dedication to nursing at Rush as well as to the overall advancement of the nursing profession." Dr. Moore responded: "Thank you so very much...I feel like I have adopted this group and I feel very much a part of it. You have *all* been very special!"

There are only two other living persons who hold an honorary membership in the Association, Dr. **Luther Christman** and **Virginia Schuler**.



Proudly displaying her honorary membership in the Nurses Alumni Association (NAA) is Golden Lamp Society chairperson **Janet S. Moore, Ph.D.** She is congratulated by (left to right) **Joyce M. Stoops, M.S., R.N.** (Pres. '53), NAA president 1976-1982, **Martha Mills, M.S., R.N.** (Pres.-St. Luke's '65), current NAA president, and **Dorothy Hughes, M.S., R.N.** (Pres. '53), NAA president 1970-1976. Not pictured is **JoAnn Young, R.N.** (Pres. '53), who served as NAA president from 1982 to 1988.



## Nursing alumni philanthropy

Giving for nursing programs in 1989-90 totaled \$53,126 — including \$38,646 from nursing alumni. Gifts were allocated as follows:

- \$36,411 To the Golden Lamp Society
- \$13,385 For Nursing Student Assistance, including the **Ruth E. Johnsen** Memorial Student Loan, and the **Ruth E. Schmidt** Endowment Fund for Nursing Education
- \$2,970 General Support, College of Nursing

## Memorial gift opportunities

Many individuals have chosen to honor deceased alumni and friends by making a gift to the College of Nursing in their name. Should you wish to honor a former classmate or colleague in this special way, please indicate where you would like your gift directed and make your check payable to Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. Indicate the name of the individual you are remembering and provide the name and address of surviving next of kin. Your memorial will be acknowledged and the family notified of your gift.

Please contact (312) 942-7199 for more information.

## 1990-1991 RPSL Nurses Alumni Association Goals

### GOAL I

To promote participation of all nursing alumni, current College of Nursing students and faculty in alumni activities.

### GOAL II

To update alumni on an ongoing basis with current information about alumni, the College of Nursing and Medical Center activities.

### GOAL III

To continue to provide financial support to students of the College of Nursing through scholarships and loans.

### GOAL IV

To support the College of Nursing in its endeavor to provide the necessary climate to attract qualified students into the Rush program.

### GOAL V

To develop a program that will ensure the early involvement of alumni and bonding with nursing students.

### GOAL VI

To continue the tradition of honoring nursing graduates celebrating their 50th anniversary year at the annual homecoming celebration.



## Class Notes

### 1933

(St. Luke's) — "Nursing you enjoy forever," writes 79-year-old **Margaret Noel Olive**, from her home in Muscle Shoals, AL. After completing postgraduate work at St. Luke's, Margaret worked in a doctor's office in Phoenix, AZ. In 1944 she moved to Alabama where she "retired" to raise a family. After her husband's death, she resumed her nursing career, working in a 20-member doctor's clinic for 24 years before retiring *again* at age 77. She enjoys crafts and has pleasant memories of her days at St. Luke's. She reminisced with classmates at her 50th reunion in 1983.

### 1938

(St. Luke's) — Prior to her retirement, **Marvel M. (Barclay) Hopkins**, of St. Louis, MO, spent the last 16 years as a school nurse. "I've enjoyed *and* used the education St. Luke's Hospital gave me," Marvel writes. "Would love to hear from my classmates — those were special days!"

### 1940A

(St. Luke's) — June 8, 1990 was a special day for **Marie L. Edson** and the classmates who returned to their alma mater to celebrate their 50th anniversary. According to Marie, who traveled to Chicago from Costa Mesa, CA, to attend the festivities, out of a class of 22, 13 attended the banquet; five could not make it; one is deceased; and three we have no address on. "A pretty good showing," Marie says. "We had a wonderful time!"

### 1944B

(St. Luke's) — Saturday, April 27, 1991 is the date of the next Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Alumni Association of Southern California luncheon, according to **Betty Borchardt Parker**, secretary-treasurer of the organization. In recap-ing the April 28, 1990 luncheon, Betty says that for the first time neither Presbyterian nor Pres.-St. Luke's alums attended. The 25 St. Luke's attendees ranged from '29 to '57 graduates. Sorely missed was **Katherine (Livingston) Davis (Presbyterian '29)**, who died October 28, 1989, and had been a leader in the "unification" of alums following the merger of the two hospitals. For more information about this group, please contact Betty at (818) 793-2716.

### 1950

(Presbyterian) — After graduating, **Eileen Butler Brozman** cared for women medical patients at Presbyterian Hospital and held "floater" responsibilities in all the Central Free Dispensary clinics. She held the latter position until 1959. For the past 12 years, Eileen has worked as a night nurse at the Snow Valley Living Center in Lisle, IL. She has three sons, one daughter, and two grandsons.



## 1951B

(St. Luke's) — In late July, **Ruth S. Polacek Miller** traveled to Washington, DC to receive a fellowship award from the American College of Healthcare Executives. Ruth is the director of risk management for the East Texas Medical Center Regional Healthcare System headquartered in Tyler, TX.

## 1952

(Presbyterian) — **Grace P. Chapman** and her husband, Wilbur, are part of a missionary ministry team from the Pleasant Hill Community Church in Wheaton, IL, who run a publishing, printing and bookstore ministry in Curacao, Netherlands Antilles. They plan to retire in May, 1992 — God willing!

## 1956

(Presbyterian) — **Doris Graham Johnson** writes that three generations of registered nurses attended the November 4, 1989 wedding of her daughter, **Donna Johnson Lawson '88**. Donna and Doris were joined by Doris' mother, and Donna's grandmother, **Florence Graham '21**, who was an OR supervisor at Presbyterian Hospital from 1923-24. Doris is hopeful that her mother, who will be 92, will be able to return for Homecoming festivities in 1991 — 70 years since graduating! "Let us know early of plans," Doris writes, "so we can attend." **(Editor's Note: Next year's Homecoming will be held Friday, June 7, 1991 at the Hotel InterContinental. Watch your mailbox for further details!)**

## 1957

(Presbyterian) — **Ruth (Thompson) Yordy** is *already* looking forward to her class' 35th anniversary celebration in 1992. Since 1969, she has been a staff nurse, then clinical supervisory nurse, at the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation (Wounded Knee) in Rushville, Nebraska. According to Ruth, "it's *real* bedside nursing!"

## 1965

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — After spending the late 1960s as an ICU nurse in San Francisco and the early 1970s as an army nurse treating Vietnam casualties in Japan, **Judith Smith Bowman** returned to the U.S. in the mid-70s and earned a B.A. degree in English from Salem State College in Massachusetts while working in several different areas of nursing. In 1980, she received an M.P.H. degree from Johns Hopkins University, followed by several years as a clinician and administrator at the Baltimore Visiting Nurses Association. Since 1988, Judith has been a senior program specialist with the American Association of Retired Persons in Washington, DC, where she is immersed in long-term care and women's health issues. She and her daughter currently live in Columbia, MD.

## 1966

(Pres.-St. Luke's) — **Lynn Roberts Clugston** is busy these days — with school, teaching and work! She is working on her BSN, and is a clinical OB and IV therapy instructor for the Park College ADN Program. She is also working part time on an obstetrics floor. "Hope to see everyone at our 25th reunion in 1991!"

## 1976

(M.S.) — **Judith M. Salitore** was recently appointed unit leader of the newly created Pediatric Intensive Care/Intermediate Care Unit at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. On the Rush faculty for 15 years, Judy has held a variety of clinical and faculty positions. Most recently, she served as unit leader of both the School Age/Adolescent Unit and the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit.

## 1981

(M.S.) — **Mary Ogrinc**, of Bratenahl, OH, completed an M.B.A. from Cleveland State University in June, 1990. Her master's degree from Rush emphasized oncology nursing.

## 1982

(M.S.) — Recently promoted to director of marketing for Rush Home Health Service, **Elaine M. Sampson** is also a faculty member in the Department of Community Health Nursing.

## 1984

(B.S.) — **Renee Levich Lettiere** won the Luther Christman award for clinical excellence. She works on the Transplant Unit at her alma mater, and is the 9N night shift leader.

(B.S. and M.S. '87) — In September, **Mary-Anne Meyer** embarked on a new adventure and a new way of life. She moved to Guatemala and will spend two years doing community health development work in the Peten province of Guatemala.

## 1986

(M.S.) — **Anita Tarzian**, formerly a fourth year level C nurse on 8 Kellogg at Rush, joined the Peace Corps. Anita left for South America in August.

## 1987

(M.S.) — **Paula Schipiour**, of Chicago, Illinois, published an article entitled "Comparison of the Nipple Stimulation and Exogenous Oxytocin Contraction Stress Tests" in the *Journal of Reproductive Medicine*. She addressed "Cost-Efficient Nursing Research in Clinical Practice" in *Nursing Management*.

### Tell My Classmates . . .

We're eager to hear about you! Please mail any "news" — personal and professional — to "**News and Views**" c/o the Nurses Alumni Association, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, 1700 W. Van Buren, #250, Chicago, Illinois 60612, Attention: Barbara Harfmann, Editor.

**Please print or write legibly!**

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Updates from the College of Nursing

One hundred and eighteen degrees were awarded to College of Nursing graduates between December 1989 and September 1990. Seventy-one met requirements for the baccalaureate degree, 41 received the Master of Science degree, two earned the Doctor of Nursing degree and four successfully defended their dissertations to earn the Doctor of Nursing Science degree.

The first students who enrolled through the Graduate Entry Level ("GEL") option in the fall of 1988 completed the prelicensure phase of their studies. Many are pursuing their graduate degrees while practicing their new profession at RPSLMC.

Dr. Judith Jezek resigned her position as associate dean for educational programs in July and is continuing in the college as a faculty member in the Department of Surgical Nursing. Dr. Andreoli is temporarily serving as acting associate dean while a nationwide search is conducted to fill the position.

The College will have its regular periodic reaccreditation visit in February of 1991. Self-study activities are being coordinated by Dr. Jezek.

The Department of Community Health Nursing recently welcomed its new chair, Cheryl Easley, Ph.D., R.N., from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana. Dr. Easley has written and lectured extensively on the evolution of public health nursing and quality and cost issues of community health nursing practice.

**Jane E. Tarnow, D.N.Sc.**, has resigned her position as assistant to the vice president/dean for nursing affairs. She assumed the position of associate director for surgery and

critical care at Indiana University Hospitals, and has a faculty appointment at Indiana University School of Nursing. Dr. Tarnow has worked at the Medical Center in a variety of educational and administrative positions for the past 20 years.

Richele A. Soja, M.B.A., R.N., has been appointed to the position of assistant to the vice president/dean for nursing affairs. Richele has been with the Medical Center for seven years; her most current position being director of Employment Services. Richele received her B.S.N. from the University of Iowa and her M.B.A. from Rosary College in River Forest, Illinois.

Two College of Nursing alumni and Department of Surgical Nursing administrators were recently inducted as fellows into the American Academy of Nursing. They are department chairperson **Joyce Keithley, D.N.Sc., F.A.N.N.** (Rush '80), and associate chair, **Margaret Faut-Callahan, D.N.Sc., F.A.N.N.** (Rush '79 and '84).

The Nursing Leadership Committee held its first meeting in June. Members include chairperson Joan M. Hall, a partner with Jenner & Block; Becky D'Angelo, chairman of D'Angelo Public Relations; Donald B. Davidson, managing director, Marsh & McLennan, Incorporated; Robert Hixon Glore, managing general partner, Pioneer Ventures, Deerpath Properties; C. Anderson Hedberg, M.D., president-elect, the medical staff, and senior attending physician, Department of Internal Medicine, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center; Pastora San Juan Cafferty, professor, School of Social Service Administration, professor, Public Policy, The University of Chicago; C. William Pollard, chairman and chief executive officer, ServiceMaster Limited Partnership; and Robin Robinson, anchor/reporter, Fox 32 News.

The purpose of the Nursing Leadership Committee is to help market the profession of nursing to the public and private sectors, and determine ways to increase philanthropic support for nursing programs. Look for more information about this group in upcoming issues of *News and Views*.

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